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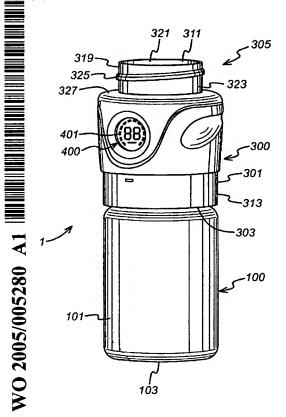
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(57) Abstract: A hand-held dispenser (1) for dispensing a multiplicity of unit products (3) comprises a container (100) for containing the unit products which has an access opening (107) through which the units products are able to be removed from the container and a dispensing module (300) which is adapted to be connected to the container in an operational position in which the dispensing module covers the access opening. The dispensing module has an interval volume (307), into which the unit products are transferable from the container through the access opening when the dispensing module is in the operational position, an outlet opening (311) which communicates with the internal volume, and a dispensing mechanism (350) which operates to dispense a predetermined number of unit products from the outlet opening on actuation thereof.

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